

FOLLOWING JESUS IN BOSSIER:
A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

*Rev. Donnie Wilkinson,
Senior Pastor*



What A Year!

by Mary Lou Hughes

Over the swamps and down forty-nine
Watching speed carefully to not get a fine,

Daylight or midnight the miles were the same
Praying each drive to not see wild game,

Heading down south to be a family of four
Heading back north church family at the door,

Morning prayer time begins every day
North or South it's the only way,

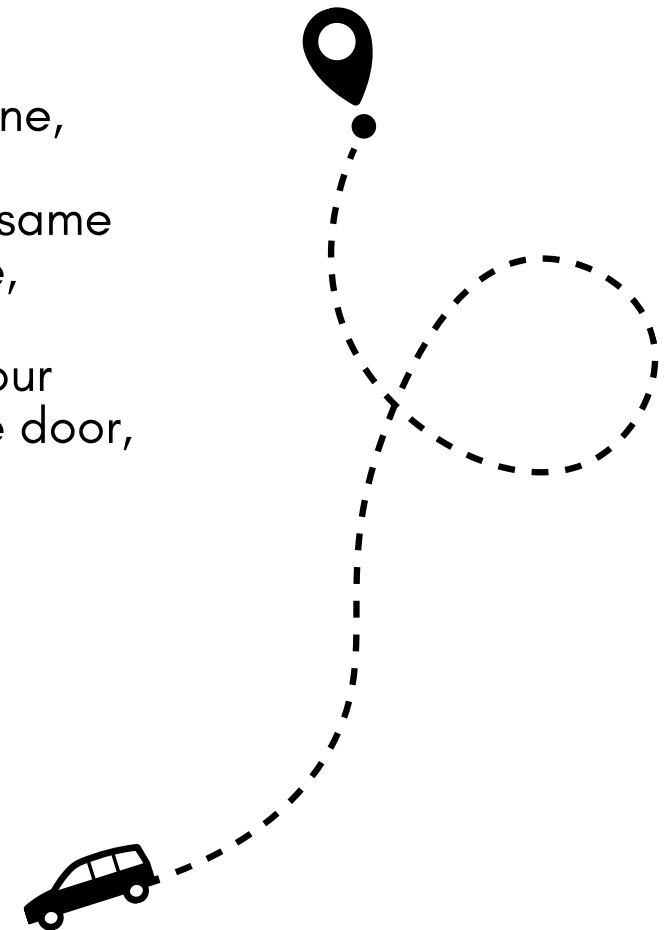
Keeping two houses not an easy job
Especially that one that uses a fob,

Down south the pipe needs a look
Up north Easter brunch needs a cook,

Working hard to start We Care
Counting on people to do their share,

Countdown to move north begins soon
Everything is packed down to the last spoon,

Could you really have done this for a year
Of course, you did with God always so near.



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June

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
7 Traditional Community Worship 8:45a Sunday School 10a Contemporary Community Worship 11a	1 Silver Foxes Fitness 10a Prayer Ministry 11a Magnolia Manor Communion Day 10:30a Ukulele Gumbo Rehearsal 3:30p	2 Traveling Light Bible Study 10a Life 365 5:30p Leadership Board 6p	3 UMM Breakfast 7a Busy Bee Quilters and Crafters 9a Choir Rehearsal 6p The Good and Beautiful Bible Study 6p	4 Thursday Morning Bible Study 10a Praise Team Rehearsal 5p Brotherhood 6p	5 Silver Foxes Fitness 10a	6
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2026

STAY UP TO DATE WITH THE CALENDAR ON CHURCH CENTER OR THE FUMC BOSSIER WEBSITE



BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

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ANNIVERSARIES

Dan & Mimi Cain	6/1
Jim & Becky Collins	6/14
Ted & Lanelle Groh	6/17
John & Erin Shirley	6/26
Mo & Loretta Haskins	6/29

BIRTHDAYS

Thomas Knowles	6/18
Jeff DeLaune	6/22
Jan Hinton	6/23
Peyton Hoffman	6/23
Barbara Kronenberg	6/23
Cindy Murray	6/23
Nola Wells	6/24
Carol Smith	6/26
Sarah McCurley	6/27
Sharon Roy	6/27
Dakota Clawson	6/28
David Solomon	6/28
Mike Yorba	6/28
Jayne Reeves	6/30

BIRTHDAYS

Mo Haskins	6/1
Jean Johnson	6/2
Charlie Lindberg	6/2
Dana Hensley	6/5
Kendall Lewis	6/5
Jerrie Thornton	6/5
Trenton Choate	6/10
Jackie Nelson	6/12
Joe Fowler	6/13
James Plummer	6/13
Bill McKellar	6/14
Camille Beville	6/15
Trace Choate	6/16

CHECK OUT OUR CHURCH APP

- Register & pay for events
- Check-in for service/events
- Church Calendar
- Giving/Offering



A DAY IN THE LIFE

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FIRST FRIENDS CHRISTIAN LEARNING CENTER

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Summer is here, and while our school year has wrapped up, we are so grateful to have had the opportunity to love on so many children this year. Watching them grow, learn and laugh has been a great blessing.

We can't wait to welcome everyone back in the fall!

Wishing you all a safe and memorable summer!

Registration for the upcoming school year 2026-2027 is still ongoing! We will continue to enroll children until we run out of room!

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CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

SUMMER

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Hello First Families!

☀ June is Here – and So is Kingdom Quest VBS! 🏰



We are getting excited for an unforgettable week at Kingdom Quest Vacation Bible School! Join us June 22-26 from 9:00 AM-12:30 PM as kids embark on an exciting adventure filled with music, games, crafts, laughter, and meaningful lessons about God's kingdom. VBS is always one of the highlights of summer, and we cannot wait to experience it together!

☀ Register Your Kids Today! ☀

VBS is open to children who have completed PreK 4 through 5th grade. Invite friends, neighbors, and cousins to join the fun too! Spots fill quickly, so be sure to register early. You can sign up using the registration link, scan the QR code, or contact the church office for assistance.

👏 Volunteers Still Needed! 👏

Kingdom Quest would not be possible without amazing volunteers serving in so many ways. Whether you enjoy working directly with kids or helping behind the scenes, there is a place for you!

Volunteer opportunities include:

- Group Leaders & Assistants
- Crafts & Games
- Decorating & Setup



VBS REGISTRATION



No experience is needed—just a willing heart and a desire to help make this week special for our children.

Ready to join the adventure? 🌸

Sign up using the volunteer link, scan the QR code, or contact the church office to get connected.

VOLUNTEER SIGNUP



We are praying for a wonderful week full of faith, fun, friendship, and growing closer to God. Thank you for being part of our church family!

Love and Blessings,
Elisa

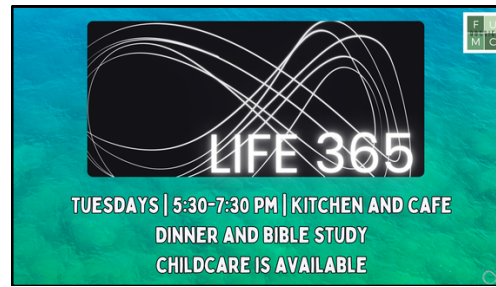


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GET CONNECTED TO A SMALL COMMUNITY

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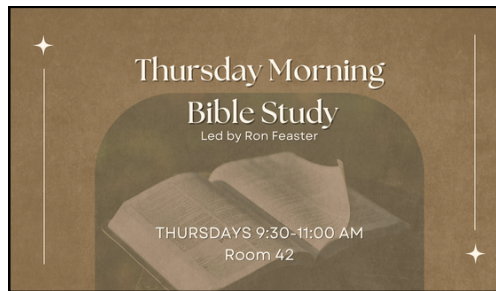


LIFE 365

Tuesday Nights - 5:30-7:30 PM - Kitchen and Cafe
Life 365 is a Christ-centered community where people of all ages grow in faith, support one another, and live out God's love every day of the year.

THE GOOD AND BEAUTIFUL BIBLE STUDY

Wednesday Nights - 6:00-7:00 PM - Midyett Room
The Good and Beautiful Bible Study continues.



THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Thursdays at 9:30 AM- Mary Ewing Room
Study is led by Ron Feaster.

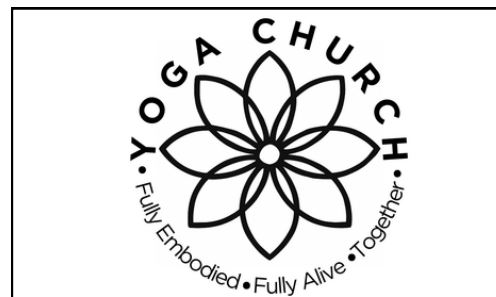
TRAVELING LIGHT BIBLE STUDY

Tuesdays at 10:00 AM - Mary Ewing Room
Bible Study led by Cheryl Nelson
Everyone is welcome!



BROTHERHOOD-MEN'S GROUP

First and Third Thursdays 6:00-7:00 PM Room 43
Brotherhood is a gathering of men committed to growing in Christ together. We're not trying to build perfect men. We're trying to build faithful ones...the kind who walk with Jesus in the real world.



YOGA CHURCH

Third Sunday- 4:00-5:30 PM - Fellowship Hall
Yoga Church is paused for the summer. We will return in the fall.

Yoga Church is a worship service that blends breath, movement, Scripture, and Holy Communion, helping us prepare body, mind, and spirit to encounter Christ in the Gospel and the bread and cup. If you long for a quiet, embodied, contemplative space... or simply want to experience God's presence in a new way, you're warmly invited.

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MISSIONS THAT MATTER

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MAGNOLIA MANOR MISSIONS

We will serve communion on the First Monday of the month, June 1.



THE GRIT & GRACE MISSION TEAM

June 16- 5:00 PM- Mary Ewing Room
We meet on the third Tuesday of each month. Come join us if you would like to help with our Mission Projects. Everyone Welcome!

MILITARY FAMILIES MINISTRY

Our mission is to serve those who serve, reflecting Christ's love through community, care, and connection.



SOUPER SATURDAY

June 27- 8:00 AM - FUMC BOSSIER KITCHEN
Come pack meals or deliver meals to the home bound & those who receive meals on wheels. We provide meals the last Saturday of each month.

HELPING HANDS FOOD PANTRY

Open Monday-Thursday 9:00-11:30 AM
Helping Hands Food Pantry -Through generosity, compassion, and service, Helping Hands helps to ensure that no one in our community goes hungry. If interested in volunteering contact Kiersten Whelply.



UMM MEN'S BREAKFAST

Wednesdays- 7:00 AM
Our United Methodist Men's Breakfast meets weekly for food, fellowship, and faith. It's a time for men to gather, build friendships, and grow together in Christ in a relaxed, welcoming setting.



RUSHEON DONUT DROP

Tuesdays- 7:20 AM - Following the Bossier School Calendar
Out for the Summer! We will return when school starts.

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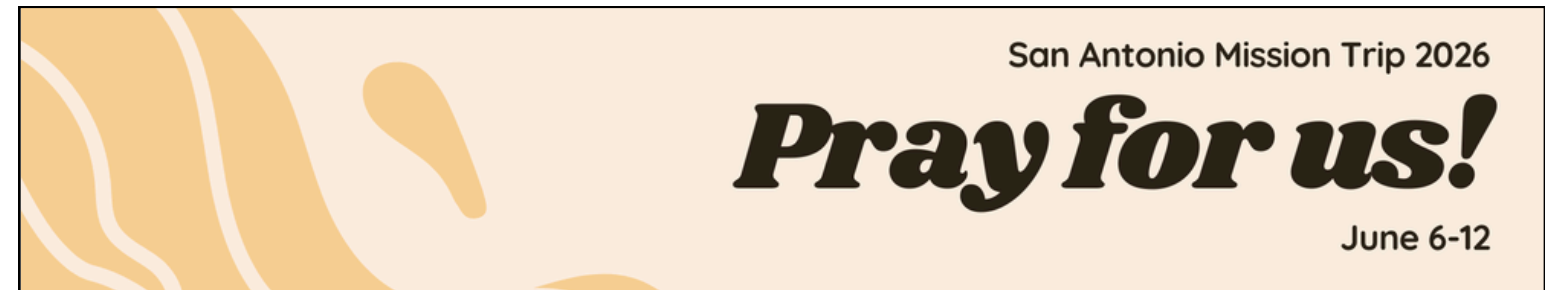


YOUTH MINISTRY

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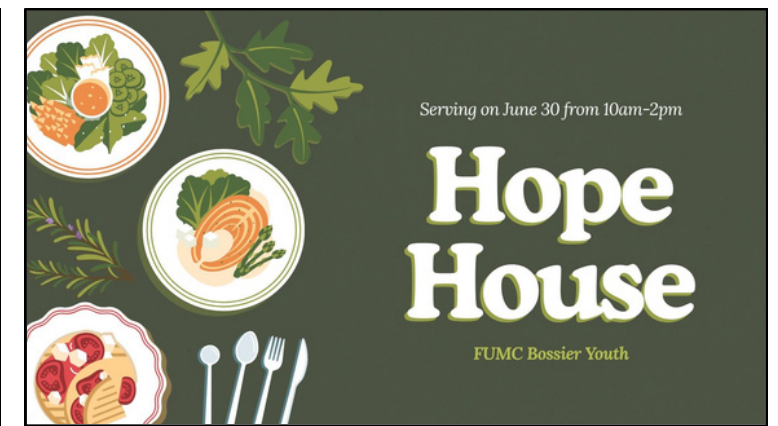
SUMMER IS HERE

Summer is HERE! This season gives our student ministry more flexibility for activities, service projects, and meaningful time together. We're especially excited for our mission trip to San Antonio—a great week away from distractions where students can grow in their faith and experience God through serving others. We also look forward to Vacation Bible School, a favorite week for our students. Their energy and love for kids are such an important part of making VBS possible. We're praying that God uses this summer in powerful ways in the lives of our students. Our hope is that what they experience this season will carry forward and help shape our ministry throughout the school year.



Pray for each of our students and adults as we travel and serve this summer:
Bridget, Makana, Trace, Maddie, Macy Beth, Anna, Lily, Peyton, Ra'Shaun, Adam, Cathy, Trip, Lilah, Keagan, Bobby, Julie, Russ, and Sarah

JUNE YOUTH EVENTS



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Text @2020fumcy to 81010 - students

Text @2020fumcp to 81010 - parents

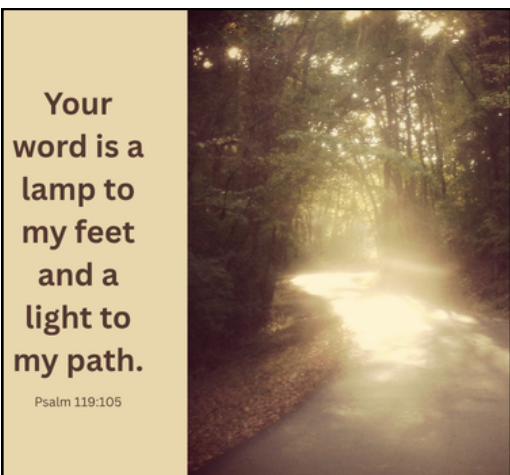
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A WORD FROM THE PRAYER ROOM

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Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

Psalm 119:105



An interesting tidbit: we could only live about three minutes if our breathing became compromised. As I pondered this, the electricity failed. I thought of those who are dependent on machines in order to breathe. Thankfully, provisions are in place to provide life-giving power. Hmm... God has given mankind the skills, knowledge, and ability to create inventions that provide life-sustaining mechanisms.

My wondering continued. God has provided for me a body—functioning, living, breathing. Life is a gift from God. What I do with it is up to me and my recognition that I am a human being with all sorts of needs and desires. Thank You, God, for Your love, Your grace, and all that is part of my existence.

Among my needs is recognizing the place of God in my life. Looking back, He has been with me through all these years—guiding, protecting, leading, and giving me strength, will, and yes, life itself. My missteps have been mine, yet God has not forsaken me. He is a constant.

Prayer supplies one of my greatest needs. It is a direct line to my Heavenly Father, always open and available. The Holy Bible offers help and guidance. Matthew 6 provides practical instruction, as do the Psalms.

Prayer is a proven help. Historians have found evidence of some form of prayer in the lives of people throughout the ages, even credence being given to “the unknown God.” Do not discount prayer—embrace it.

Thank you for following me in my wanderings.



FIRST FAMILY FOCUS NEWSLETTER

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Our monthly newsletter is a collaboration by all members of our church staff. If you notice any discrepancies please let us know so we can address them.

If your group or class has anything for the newsletter or bulletin you can turn it in at the office or email it to office@fumcbossier.org

Photos, information, recipes, etc. can also be sent to the office as well.

Please, make sure to submit all information for the newsletter by the **20th of the month** to ensure it is included in the upcoming month’s issue.

Thank you!

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THE CHURCH MOUSE

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Hello,

Here Comes June “Bustin’ Out All Over’ as the Musical “Carousel” reminds us. Summer is coming as we see the trees and bushes “Bustin” out and students and teachers closing the door of the school house. Church Mouse thought about a summer visit to my Country Cousin because it will be so quiet around here without First Friends and some of the meetings. However, my ears perked up when I heard about ALL the happenings here during the summer months... and a lot will have some delicious food crumbs... which began with the 5th Sunday Potluck on May 31. FUMC-Bossier continues to offer opportunities for everyone to be involved in an activity. YAH heard about the United Methodist Foster Care program and everyone is encouraged to help with Foster Care My Essentials (M E) Bags. Vacation Bible School is June 22 - 26 (9 am - 12:30pm). Are “U” that Helper they need? Our Youth will be traveling to San Antonio on a Mission Trip along with other summer activities. Help with their meals on Sunday nights is always appreciated. Helping Hands and Volunteers to answer the phone have need of YOU! The hours are short and the Blessings are many! Check announcements in the monthly “AT A GLANCE” for a lot of other summer opportunities. Of course, the best thing happening is Pastor Donnie’s family has made the move to Bossier! Welcome to FUMC-Bossier!

Till next month,
Church Mouse



SENIOR ADULT MINISTRIES

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YOUNG-AT-HEART

2ND THURSDAYS EACH MONTH- 10:30 AM-FELLOWSHIP HALL
June 11- Lunch, drinks and dessert provided. Cost is \$5.00. Call the church office to make your reservation. Our speaker this month is Leslie Santure.

SILVER FOXES FITNESS

Mondays and Fridays 10:00 AM-Fellowship Hall
Join our Silver Foxes for a Chair Exercise Class.



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CHURCHWIDE EVENTS

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OUR CHURCH FAMILY HAS AN OPPORTUNITY TO SHOW LOVE!

WE HAVE TWO MILITARY FAMILIES WHOSE HUSBANDS ARE CURRENTLY DEPLOYED. IF YOU'RE ABLE, PLEASE CONSIDER SIGNING UP TO BRING A MEAL. WHETHER IT'S HOME-COOKED OR TAKEOUT, OR EVEN A GIFT CARD. EVERY LITTLE BIT HELPS LIGHTEN THE LOAD AND REMINDS THESE FAMILIES THEY ARE SUPPORTED AND NOT ALONE.

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SIGN UP USING THE QR CODE OR CALL THE OFFICE TO COORDINATE 318.742.3823

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YOGA CHURCH

If you long for a quiet, embodied, contemplative space... If you desire to feel more fully alive in God's presence... If you're simply curious... we would love for you to join.

Every **PAUSED FOR THE SUMMER** at 4 PM in the Church Hall. Please, bring a water bottle.

Childcare is available.

Fully Embodied • Fully Alive • Together



Grit and Grace

Bake Sale

JUN 21

8:30-12:00

SWING BY FOR SOME FATHER'S DAY TREATS AND GOODIES!

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STIRRING THE SPIRIT

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Banana Pudding

Ingredients

- 6 bananas, sliced
- 1 can sweetened condensed milk
- 1 small package instant vanilla pudding mix
- 1 cup milk
- 1 large container whipped topping, divided
- 1 large box vanilla wafers



Instructions

1. In a large bowl, combine the pudding mix, sweetened condensed milk, and milk.
2. Beat with an electric mixer on high speed until the mixture thickens.
3. Chill for 10 minutes.
4. Fold in half of the whipped topping.
5. In a serving dish, layer vanilla wafers, sliced bananas, and the pudding mixture, repeating layers and ending with pudding on top.
6. Top with the remaining whipped topping.
7. Crumble a few vanilla wafers and sprinkle over the top.
8. Top with the remaining whipped topping if desired.
9. Chill for at least 4 hours before serving.



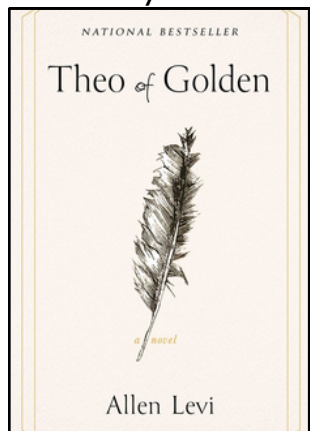
FAITHFUL FAVORITES

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Each month, we highlight a podcast, book, song, or other resource to encourage reflection, growth, and connection in your faith journey. Whether it's music that uplifts, a book that inspires, or a podcast that sparks conversation, our monthly pick is chosen to nourish your spirit and spark meaningful moments in your life. May's pick is from Sarah McCurley.

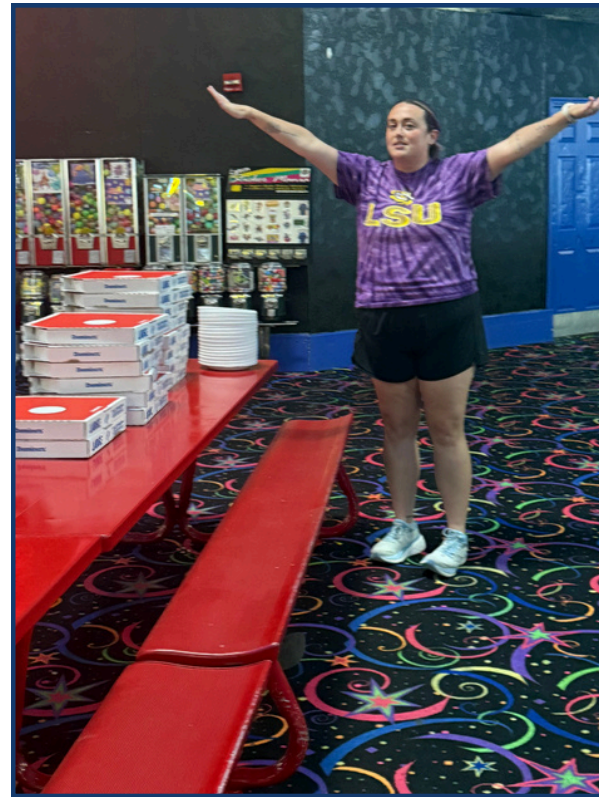
One of my recent favorite reads is Theo of Golden by Allen Levi. I cannot recommend this novel highly enough. Theo is a kind, thoughtful, and generous character who beautifully demonstrates what it truly means to love others well. Each character in the story is unique, memorable, and deeply relatable.

From the very beginning, I was completely drawn in and had a hard time putting it down. The ending especially resonated with me, weaving in a beautiful connection to Jesus on the road to Emmaus (hello sermon series). If you decide to read it, I would love to hear your thoughts and discuss it together!



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👠 SUMMER KICKOFF 🍦



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